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NOTICE

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2071(b), the Clerk of the Court hereby gives notice of and an opportunity for comment regarding the Court's amendment to Eastern District of Tennessee Local Rule 83.5(h). The amendment inserts the words "or Federal Defender Services" and now reads as follows:

(h) Special Admission for Certain Attorneys. Attorneys who are members in good standing of the bar of the highest court of a state or any other district court, and are employed by the United States Government or Federal Defender Services in a professional capacity, may appear in particular cases without an application for admission. Attorneys for whom application is pending may appear on a Motion to Appear pro hac vice provided an affidavit proving pending application is attached.

Comments: The Miscellaneous Fee Schedule set by the Judicial Conference provides: "No fees are to be charged for services rendered on behalf of the United States . . . No fees under this schedule shall be charged to federal agencies or programs which are funded from judiciary appropriations, including, but not limited to, agencies, organizations, and individuals providing services authorized by the Criminal Justice Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3006A, and Bankruptcy Administrator programs." The District Court Administration Division of the Administrative Office has confirmed that, since Federal Defender Services is authorized by the CJA, the fee may be waived as to their attorneys. Accordingly, the rule has been amended to insert the words "or Federal Defender Services."

The foregoing amendment took affect on June 9, 2006. Comments should be directed, in writing, to Patricia L. McNutt, Clerk of Court, at the above address.